

Co-operative Federation of Victoria Ltd

Minute for board meeting 10:30 – 11: 45 a.m., 18 November 2009, Urban Camp Melbourne Co-operative, Brens Drive, Parkville

PRESENT: Neil Black, David Dinning, Tony O'Shea (Chairman), Shirley Faram and David Griffiths (Secretary)

APOLOGIES: Diane Batterham

1. Minutes

That the minute of the meeting of 29 September 2009 be approved as a true and accurate record. CARRIED

2. Business arising from the meeting of 29 September 2009

2.1 Co-operative Education

The following co-operative education initiatives were discussed:

Co-operative/Organisation	
CAV	No further action to date.
CEHL	Shirley Faram to contact re possibility of a March 2010 workshop.
MECU	David Dinning to meet with Rowan Dowland in a preliminary meeting on co-operative values.
Murray Goulburn	To be followed-up subsequent to appointment of new Chairman at MG AGM
SQPC	No further action to date.
PEACO	No further action to date
HICO	No further action to date on possibility of a workshop in March 2010 or a meeting with Chris Cooper.
Genetics Australia	No further action to date on possibility of a workshop in March 2010 or a meeting with Chris Cooper.

2.2 CAV

Tony O'Shea reported on his dealings with CAV regarding the cost of the Administrator appointed to the Waverley Trading Co-operative and the SQPC interest in CCUs and a positive meeting on this with CAV.

It was noted that the board meeting of 29 September 2009 had adopted the following resolution:

That the Federation write to the Registrar and the Minister for Consumer Affairs expressing concern about the prolonged decision-making process about appointing an Administrator, the cost of the Administrator and the failure to recognise the merit and cost saving involved in appointing the Chairman as Administrator for the Waverley Trading Co-operative.

The Chairman advised that he had not acted on the resolution yet because of the need to get a positive result for SQPC on CCUs.

It was agreed that the letter to be prepared by the Chairman would be circulated to the board for approval before being sent to the Registrar and the Minister for Consumer Affairs.

ACTION: Chairman and Secretary

It was agreed that it would be useful to raise with CAV the issue of Rule changes and the need for cooperatives to organise a second general meeting if the proposed Rule changes were amended. It was agreed that a second general meeting should not be necessary if amendments did not create inconsistencies in the Rules and they were consistent with the legislation.

ACTION: Chairman and Secretary

2. 3. Co-operatives Australia

David Griffiths reported that a position paper on co-operative education was about to be published and that a second paper on demutualisation was being drafted.

He also reported that australia.coop and victoria.coop were separate web sites with a 90% completion of the domain reorganisation.

It was noted that other Federations had agreed to pay the domain reorganisation cost and that the cost of registering australia.coop for a further three years and paying 50% of the web hosting fee with Host Monster was to be shared between all Federations.

It was noted that the Treasurer would prepare and forward invoices to NSW, Qld, SA and WA Federations.

ACTION: Treasurer

3. Financial Statements

The Treasurer David Dinning presented financial statements.

Profit/Loss 1 July 2009 – Balance Sheet 2009

That the financial statements for 1 July – 2009 be adopted. CARRIED

Profit/Loss 1 July 2008 – 30 June 2009 Balance Sheet 30 June 2009

ACTION: Treasurer

That the signed annual report to the Registrar be adopted.
CARRIED

ACTION: Secretary

4. Board Meetings and AGM 2010

The following schedule of board meetings for 2010 was adopted:

10: 30 a.m. 20 January 2010, Substitution Pty Ltd, 1/484 William Street, North Melbourne

10: 30 a.m. 17 March 2010, Substitution Pty Ltd, 1/484 William Street, North Melbourne

10: 30 a.m. 17 March 2010, Substitution Pty Ltd, 1/484 William Street, North Melbourne

10: 30 a.m. 19 May 2010, Substitution Pty Ltd, 1/484 William Street, North Melbourne

10: 30 a.m. 21 July 2010, Substitution Pty Ltd, 1/484 William Street, North Melbourne

10: 30 a.m. 15 September 2010, Substitution Pty Ltd, 1/484 William Street, North Melbourne

10: 30 a.m. 17 November 2010, Urban Camp Melbourne Co-operative, Brens Drive, Parkville

AGM: 12:00 Midday 17 November 2010, Urban Camp Melbourne Co-operative, Brens Drive, Parkville

ACTION: Chairman and Secretary

5. Next Meeting

10: 30. am, Wednesday, 20 January 2010.

Prepared by Secretary: 19 November 2009 Approved by Chairman: 24 November 2009 Emailed to directors: 24 November 2009 Snail mailed to directors: 25 November 2009